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Review of Comments of the Chief, National Intelligence Survey Division on Management Staff Study.

Reference: A. Comments of Chief, National Intelligence Survey Division on Management Staff Study, dated 3 August 1950.
B. Management Staff Study on National Intelligence Survey Division, Office of Reports and Estimates, dated 18 July 1950.

1. Attached as Reference A are the comments of [REDACTED] which include a complete review and explanation of the concepts and inner workings of the National Intelligence Survey program, together with quotations from all the basic documents, such as NSCID No. 3 and the DCID's, pertinent thereto.

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2. Management feels that its recommendations contained in the basic study Reference B are not only soundly conceived, but are practicable. For example, Management stand on the fact that the Publication Branch, National Intelligence Survey Division, was not operating as constituted on the table of organization structure was that the table of organization should be amended accordingly. Chief, National Intelligence Survey Division replied "the table of organization for the Publication Branch is not being following in performance of activities". Despite this acknowledgment, [REDACTED] recommends that no action be taken toward Branch reorganization.

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3. In essence most of these matters are relatively minor, the major portion of the problem rests in a decision as to who is responsible for the substantive content and distribution of National Intelligence Survey materials. According to the Chief, National Intelligence Survey Division, verbally and by the attached paper, the National Intelligence Survey program is not the responsibility of CIA, but of the National Intelligence Survey Committee, chaired by the Chief, National Intelligence Survey Division. This would seem to create a situation wherein a subordinate of the Director is superior thereto, and such a concept is both confusing and conflicting.

4. In Paragraph 6 of Reference A, [REDACTED] states: "The question of paramount importance is whether or not the National Intelligence Survey is an interdepartmental project or a CIA project. The answer to this question appears to be clear." The Chief, National Intelligence Survey Division then quotes NSCID No. 3. It is obvious that his interpretation regarding CIA responsibility of the National Document No.

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Intelligence Survey program and that of this Staff are diametrically opposed.

5. Management need not reiterate the old argument on dissemination, except to state that in our experience most recipients refer to National Intelligence Survey materials as CIA publications, and hold this Agency accountable for its substantive content and distribution. This Staff has never indicated, nor suggested, that the National Intelligence Survey Committee or the IAC Agencies should not exercise some influence on the dissemination of the end product. The dissemination authority currently in the National Intelligence Survey Division is contrary to the Director's explicit instructions that all dissemination functions of intelligence materials are charged to the Assistant Director for Collection and Dissemination.

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